

On Friday, December 10 at 1:00 PM, the Lafayette Police Department filled two vacancies when two new officers had their oath of office administered by Mayor Tony Roswarski in Lafayette City Hall.

**Officer Khoury Elias** is 30 years old and returns to Lafayette from New Mexico, where he served on the Rio Rancho Police Department. Officer Elias formerly served with the Lafayette Police Department from 2006 to 2009. He received a bachelor's degree in Linguistics from the University of California-Davis, and holds a Master of Education degree from DePaul University, Chicago, IL. Officer Elias is married with two children, and will reside in Tippecanoe County. Officer Elias will receive refresher training in-house before returning to patrol duties.

**Officer Joe Fisher** is 26 years old and a Benton County native. He graduated from Benton Central High School in 2003 and entered service in the US Army, where he served as an Engineer. He was discharged from active duty in 2009, and remains a member of the Army National Guard. Officer Fisher is married with two children, and resides in Benton County. Officer Fisher will be assigned to the 15-week Indiana Law Enforcement Academy Basic Course beginning January 3, 2011. Upon his return he will enter the Department's in-house training program.

They fill vacancies created by the transfer of a police officer to the fire department, and the retirement of a 30 year veteran of the department. Once again LPD is at it's full allocated strength of 132 sworn officers.